

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/845,230

Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to telephone interview on April 19, 2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3,5-19 and 31-44.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 01 May 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____. |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ezra Sutton on April 19 and 29, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

in claim 1, between lines 3 and 4, -- a) a blind mounting bracket device -- has been inserted,

in line 4, "a)" has been changed to -- b) --,

in line 6, "b)" has been changed to -- c) --,

in line 8, "c)" has been changed to -- d) --, and "for" has been deleted,

in line 9, "for" has been deleted,

in line 15, "d)" has been changed to -- e) --,

in line 18, "e)" has been changed to -- f) --,

in line 20, "f)" has been changed to -- g) --,

in line 27, "g)" has been changed to -- h) --

in line 29, "h)" has been changed to -- i) --;

in claim 5, line 1, "1" has been changed to -- 3 --;

in claim 9, line 2, "inner first" has been changed to -- inner second --;

in claim 10, line 2, "second and inner second" has been changed
to - - third and inner fourth - - ;
in claim 13, line 1, "1" has been changed to - - 11 - -;
in claim 18, line 2, "holding arm" has been changed
to - - first and second holding arm - -;
in claim 31, between lines 3 and 4, - - a blind bracket mounting device - - has been
inserted,
in line 4, "a)" has been changed to - - b) - -,
in line 6, "b)" has been changed to - - c) - -,
in line 10, "c)" has been changed to - - d) - -, and "for" has been deleted,
in line 12, "for" has been deleted,
in line 17, "d)" has been changed to - - e) - -,
in line 19, "e)" has been changed to - - f) - -,
in line 23, "f)" has been changed to - - g) - -,
in line 30, "g)" has been changed to - - h) - -, and
in line 32, "h)" has been changed to - - i) - -.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the
examiner should be directed to examiner **Ramírez** at telephone number (703) 308-0748.
The examiner can be normally reached on Monday-Thursday and alternate Fridays.

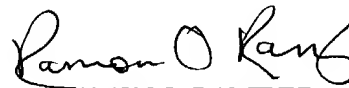
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Any inquiry of general nature relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1113.

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